

AMENDMENTS TO THE TRANSLATED SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title insert the following new paragraph:

This application is a U.S. national phase of International Application No. PCT/ES2004/000434 filed October 6, 2004, which designated the U.S. and claims priority to Spanish Application No. 200302708 filed November 24, 2003, the entire contents of each of which are hereby incorporated by reference.

Page 1, please replace the third full paragraph with the amended paragraph below:

Spanish Patent application No. 200002464, which issued as Spanish Patent No. 2,194,564, from the same applicant, proposes an articulation device for a shell propulsion mechanism in a compressed air rifle or pistol with a tilting shell propulsion mechanism. The said application describes a system to secure the device to the but body similar to that of the previous paragraph, by means of a series of pass-through holes, preferably located in a radial orientation, in symmetrical angular positions with respect to a longitudinal vertical plane of the rifle or pistol, through which securing screws are inserted that are screwed into nuts. This same patent application does not describe any system to hide these screws from sight.